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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S.

Patent and Trademark Office on July 12, 2005 in the above-identified application.

Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows:

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